

2005 Tornado Fatalities

During 2005, tornadoes in the United States caused 38 deaths. This number of deaths is up 3 from the 2004 total of 35 but down significantly from the 10-year average of 54. Tornado deaths remain below the 30-year average of 54 per year. As in most previous years, the most dangerous place to be during a tornado was in a mobile home, which accounted for 32 (84%) of 38 deaths. Only 3 deaths (8%) occurred in permanent homes. Tornado fatalities were fairly even spread between the sexes with slightly more males victims, 21, than female, 17. Victims spanned the age ranges from 20-69 fairly evenly with the highest toll in the 50-69 ranges (34%).

2005 TORNADO FATALITIES BY STATE AND LOCATION

<u>STATE</u>	<u>BU</u>	<u>LS</u>	<u>MH</u>	<u>OT</u>	<u>OU</u>	<u>PH</u>	<u>SC</u>	<u>VE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
AR	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	3
GA	0	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	4
IA	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
IN	0	0	23	0	0	0	0	1	24
KY	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
MO	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
MS	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
WI	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
WY	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
TOTAL	0	0	32	0	1	3	0	2	38
PERCENT	0	0	84	0	3	8	0	5	100

2005 TORNADO FATALITIES BY AGE AND GENDER

	<u>FEMALE</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>UNKNOWN</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>PERCENT</u>
0 TO 9	1	3	0	4	11
10 TO 19	1	0	0	1	3
20 TO 29	2	3	0	5	13
30 TO 39	2	3	0	5	13
40 TO 49	3	1	0	4	11
50 TO 59	1	5	0	6	16
60 TO 69	4	3	0	7	18
70 TO 79	1	1	0	2	5
80 TO 89	2	1	0	3	8
90 TO --	0	1	0	1	3
UNKNOWN	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	17	21	0	38	101*
PERCENT	45	55	0	100	

(* Due to rounding total does not equal 100%)

LEGEND

BU - Business
LS - Long-Span Roof
MH - Mobile Home
OT - Other/Unknown
OU - Outside Open
PH - Permanent Home
SC - School
VE - Vehicle